Modernisation of canals in A.P.

620. DR. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the World Bank for financial assistance for modernization of canals in the State;

(b) if so, the amount of assistance demanded by the State; and

(c) by when a final decision is expected in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) No specific project for modernization of canals has been received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for World Bank assistance. However, some sections of Srisailam Right Branch Canal and selective rehabilitation and modernization of canals under Sri Ramsagar Project have already been included in the World Bank aided Third Andhra Pradesh Irrigation Project which is under implementation since 1997.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED AND UNSTARRED QUESTIONS SET FOR THE 6TH MARCH, 2002*

Loss to financial Institutions due to Delay in Dabhol Power Project

*81. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the financial institutions led by Industrial Development Bank of India are losing about 0.5 million dollars a day due to the delay in completing the Phase-II and stoppage of power generation from Phase I of Dabhol Power Project; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and what measures are proposed to be taken to resolve the present Dabhol imbroglio?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SURESH PRABHU): (a) and (b)

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* The sitting of the Rajya Sabha of Wednesday, the 6th March, 2002 was adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of Shri G.M.C. Balayogi Speaker, Lok Sabha. Answers to Questions put down in the lists for that day were laid on the Table of the House on Thursday, the 7th March, 2002.